TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES Attorney Docket No. 06017 DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) U.S. Application No. (if known, CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C: 371 see 2 1 5 6 9 5 4 6 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/FR2004/002451 September 28, 2004 September 30, 2003 TITLE OF INVENTION DEVICE AND METHOD FOR CONNNECTING INERT ANODES FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ALUMINIUM BY FUSED-SALT ELECTROLYSIS APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Airy-Pierre LAMAZE Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 1. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include 3. items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). 4. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. \square is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. A has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. \square is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3). a. are transmitted herewith (only if not required by the International Bureau). have been transmitted by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. have not been made and will not be made. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. As assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. A preliminary amendment. 14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. A substitute specification. 16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. A computer-readable sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 USC 154(d)(4).

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19. A second copy of the English translation of the international application under 35 USC 154(d)(4).

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